

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 434

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 25, 2019

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To amend the National Trails System Act to provide for
the study of the Emancipation National Historic Trail,
and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Emancipation National
3 Historic Trail Study Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. EMANCIPATION NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL STUDY.**

5 Section 5(c) of the National Trails System Act (16
6 U.S.C. 1244(c)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(47) EMANCIPATION NATIONAL HISTORIC
9 TRAIL.—The Emancipation National Historic Trail,
10 extending approximately 51 miles from the
11 Osterman Building and Reedy Chapel in Galveston,
12 Texas, along Texas State Highway 3 and Interstate
13 Highway 45 North, to Freedmen’s Town, then to
14 Independence Heights and Emancipation Park in
15 Houston, Texas, following the migration route taken
16 by newly freed slaves and other persons of African
17 descent from the major 19th century seaport town
18 of Galveston to the burgeoning community of Freed-
19 men’s Town, located in the 4th Ward of Houston,
20 Texas.”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 24, 2019.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.